



# Barbara J. Rom Award FOR BANKRUPTCY EXCELLENCE

## NOMINATIONS

### Introduction and Information

The Barbara J. Rom Award for Bankruptcy Excellence was created to recognize practitioners who, like Barbara, have demonstrated overall excellence and expertise in bankruptcy law and practice. This award is open to all bankruptcy practitioners, regardless of whether they represent consumers, business debtors, or creditors.

The following criteria are considered for this award: overall excellence, professionalism, quality of practice, community engagement, participation in bar association and Court-sponsored activities, and pro bono contributions.

### The Selection Committee

District Court Judge  
Laurie J. Michelson

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David Ruskin

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### Deadline

Nominations must be made in writing and submitted to any member of the selection committee by October 3, 2025.

The Selection Committee will review all written nominations and select an award winner.

That award winner will then become a member of the following year's selection committee.

**This year's award luncheon will  
be held on November 12, 2025  
at noon at the Westin Hotel,  
1114 Washington Blvd, Detroit, MI 48226**



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### Nominator

Name:

Firm Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

### Nominee

Name:

Firm Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

### Nominee Details

Your experience and/or relationship with the Nominee:

Reason for the Nomination:



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**Describe how the Nominee satisfies the criteria for this award. Please provide sufficient information and background material to enable the Committee to evaluate this Nominee in each of the following areas:**

Overall excellence:

Civility:

Quality of practice:

Community involvement:

Bar Association and Court activity involvement:

Pro bono participation:

Any other factors the Selection Committee should consider?

You may attach additional/supporting information.